

**NATIONAL FOREST TIMBER FOR SALE
INTEGRATED RESOURCE TIMBER CONTRACT - STEWARDSHIP**

APACHE-SITGREAVES NATIONAL FOREST

The Mineral C Thompson Integrated Resource Timber Stewardship Contract is located within T9N, R26E, Sections 8-26, Gila and Salt River Baseline Meridian, Apache County, Arizona. The Forest Service will receive technical and price proposals (no public opening) at the Apache Sitgreaves National Forest Supervisor's Office, 30 S. Chiricahau Dr., Springerville, Arizona 85938 no later than 2:00 PM local time on August 25, 2011 for an estimated 7,773 CCF (Hundred Cubic Feet) of ponderosa pine high value sawtimber (12"-15.9" dbh), 11,316 CCF of ponderosa pine and other medium value sawtimber (9"-11.9" dbh), and 901 CCF of Mixed Conifer sawtimber (9"-16" dbh) marked or otherwise designated for cutting. In addition, within the area is an estimated 10,990 CCF of Non-Saw (5.0"- 8.9" dbh) that the successful bidder agrees to remove at a fixed rate. Mandatory Stewardship projects include the removal of 3,244 tons of Non-Saw slash. Optional Stewardship items include the removal of 15,842 tons of Non-Saw slash, and 5,901 tons (4450 acres) of TSI Treat Machine Pile and Lop (optional removal). The contract will be awarded based on a Best Value determination. One award will be made to the Bidder (a) whose proposal is technically acceptable and (b) whose technical/price relationship is the most advantageous to the Government. The Forest Service reserves the right to reject any and all bids. A prospectus, bid form and complete information concerning the timber, stewardship projects, the conditions of sale, and submission of bids is available to the public from the Springerville Ranger District, 165 S. Mountain Ave, Springerville, Arizona 85938. Phone: (928) 333-4372, and at <http://www.fs.usda.gov/goto/asnf/stewardship>. A pre-bid conference will be held for prospective Stewardship Contract bidders at 9:00 AM on August 3, 2011. The meeting will be at the Springerville Ranger District Hunter Building office in Springerville, AZ. An opportunity will be available to visit the project site on this date.

The USDA is an equal opportunity provider and employer.

*****End of Legal Ad*****

Published: White Mountain Independent, Apache and Navajo County Editions, July
22nd, 2011.